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# 7. THE PLANE

## ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS WITH SOLUTIONS

1. Show that the plane through  $(1,1,1)$ ,  $(1,-1,1)$  and  $(-7,-3,-5)$  is parallel to the Y-axis.

**Sol:** The equation of the plane passing through A  $(1,1,1)$  be taken as

$$a(x-1)+b(y-1)+c(z-1)=0 \dots\dots(1)$$

$$\text{If (1) passes through } (1,-1,1) \text{ then } a(1-1)+b(-1-1)+c(1-1)=0 \Rightarrow 2b=0 \Rightarrow b=0.$$

$$\text{If (1) passes through } (-7,-3,-5) \text{ then } a(-7-1)+b(-3-1)+c(-5-1)=0$$

$$\Rightarrow a(-8)+0(-4)+c(-6)=0 \Rightarrow 8a = -6c \Rightarrow a = \frac{-3}{4}c$$

$$\therefore (1) \Rightarrow \frac{-3}{4}c(x-1)+0(y-1)+c(z-1)=0 \Rightarrow c \left[ \frac{-3}{4}x + \frac{3}{4} + z - 1 \right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-3}{4}x + z - \frac{1}{4} = 0 \Rightarrow 3x - 4z + 1 = 0. \text{ This a plane is parallel to the Y-axis.}$$

2. Find the equation of the plane through  $(4, 4, 0)$  and perpendicular to the planes  $2x + y + 2z + 3 = 0$  and  $3x + 3y + 2z - 8 = 0$

**Sol:** Equation of the plane passing through P  $(4, 4, 0)$  is  $a(x-4) + b(y-4) + c(z-0) = 0 \dots\dots(1)$

$$\text{Given planes are } 2x + y + 2z + 3 = 0 \dots\dots\dots(2), 3x + 3y + 2z - 8 = 0 \dots\dots\dots(3)$$

Since the planes (1) & (2) perpendicular to each other

$$\Rightarrow a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2 = 0 \Rightarrow 2a + b + 2c = 0 \dots\dots\dots(4)$$

Since the planes (1) & (3) perpendicular to each other

$$\Rightarrow a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2 = 0 \Rightarrow 3a + 3b + 2c = 0 \dots\dots\dots(5)$$

Solving (4) & (5)

$$\frac{a}{2-6} = \frac{b}{6-4} = \frac{c}{6-3} \Rightarrow \frac{a}{-4} = \frac{b}{2} = \frac{c}{3} \Rightarrow (a, b, c) = (-4, 2, 3)$$

$$\text{From equation (1), } -4(x-4)+2(y-4)+3(z-0)=0 \Rightarrow -4x + 16 + 2y - 8 + 3z = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -4x + 2y + 3z + 8 = 0 \text{ be the required equation of the plane}$$

3. Find the equation of the plane through  $(6, -4, 3)$ ,  $(0, 4, -3)$  and cutting of intercepts whose sum is zero.

**Sol:** The equation of the plane with intercepts  $a, b, c$  is  $\frac{x}{a} + \frac{y}{b} + \frac{z}{c} = 1$

$$\text{If the plane passes through } (6, -4, 3) \Rightarrow \frac{6}{a} - \frac{4}{b} + \frac{3}{c} = 1 \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$\text{If the plane passes through } (0, 4, -3) \Rightarrow \frac{0}{a} + \frac{4}{b} - \frac{3}{c} = 1 \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

$$\text{Adding (1) and (2)} \Rightarrow \frac{6}{a} - \frac{4}{b} + \frac{3}{c} + \frac{0}{a} + \frac{4}{b} - \frac{3}{c} = 1 + 1 \Rightarrow \frac{6}{a} = 2 \Rightarrow a = 3$$

$$\text{Given that the sum of the intercepts } a + b + c = 0 \Rightarrow 3 + b + c = 0 \Rightarrow c = -3 - b \dots\dots\dots(3)$$

$$\text{From (2) and (3)} \Rightarrow \frac{4}{b} - \frac{3}{-3-b} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4}{b} + \frac{3}{3+b} = 1 \Rightarrow 4(3+b) + 3b = b(3+b) \Rightarrow b^2 - 4b - 12 = 0 \Rightarrow b^2 - 6b + 2b - 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b(b-6) + 2(b-6) = 0 \Rightarrow (b-6)(b+2) = 0 \Rightarrow b = 6 \text{ (or) } b = -2$$

$$\text{Case (i): Put } b = 6 \text{ in (3)} \Rightarrow c = -3 - 6 \Rightarrow c = -9$$

$$\text{From (1), } \frac{x}{3} + \frac{y}{6} + \frac{z}{-9} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{6x + 3y - 2z}{18} = 1 \Rightarrow 6x + 3y - 2z - 18 = 0$$

$$\text{Case (ii): Put } b = -2 \text{ in (3)} \Rightarrow c = -3 + 2 \Rightarrow c = -1$$

$$\text{From (1), } \frac{x}{3} + \frac{y}{-2} + \frac{z}{-1} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{2x - 3y - 6z}{6} = 1 \Rightarrow 2x - 3y - 6z - 6 = 0$$

4. Show that the equations  $ax + by + r = 0$ ,  $by + cz + p = 0$ ,  $cz + ax + q = 0$  represent planes perpendicular to  $xy, yz, zx$  planes respectively.

**Sol:** Equation of the given plane is  $ax + by + r = 0 \dots\dots\dots(1)$

$$\text{Equation of the XY - plane is } z = 0. \quad \text{Now, } a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2 = a(0) + b(0) + 0(1) = 0$$

$\therefore$  The given plane (1) is perpendicular to the XY-plane

$$\text{Equation of the given plane is } by + cz + p = 0 \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

$$\text{Equation of the YZ - plane is } x = 0. \quad \text{Now, } a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2 = 0(1) + b(0) + c(0) = 0$$

$\therefore$  The given plane (2) is perpendicular to the YZ-plane

$$\text{Equation of the given plane is } cz + ax + q = 0 \dots\dots\dots(3)$$

$$\text{Equation of the ZX - plane is } y = 0. \quad \text{Now, } a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2 = a(0) + 0(1) + c(0) = 0$$

$\therefore$  The given plane (3) is perpendicular to the ZX-plane